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Federal Communication Commission
Schools and Libraries program
CC Docket No. 02-6

Dear FCC Appeal/Waiver Board:

As the Superintendent for Treutlen County Schools, I am requesting an appeal/waiver of the USAC denial for 2013 ERate funding because our **provider failed to acknowledge/certify our 472 invoice prior to the deadline.** The details are listed as follows:

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USAC's DECISION LETTER: I filed an appeal with USAC. The appeal was denied. The denial letter dated April 29, 2016 is included in the documents.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED: email confirmations from USAC; verification that Form 472 was completed in September 2015 prior to the deadline and provider did not certify until January 2016

PROBLEM: Our provider, Plant Telephone, failed to certify our 472 for 2013. Invoice #2248751 contained two FRNs: #2511694 for \$32,184.00 and #2511712 for \$32,400. We have already paid for these services and desperately need reimbursement from Plant Telephone. We are a very small, rural system and these funds are astronomical for us. Plant Telephone dropped the ball but they have nothing to lose in this process. They have offered their assistance in getting this issue resolved but the school district is responsible for filing the appeal. It is my understanding that Plant Telephone has filed an appeal with FCC on behalf of several entities.

We appreciate your assistance in this matter and ask that you approve our request so that reimbursement be made to the Treutlen County School District for 2013 funding in the amount of \$64,584.00. We are willing to take whatever actions necessary to get this issue resolved. Please advise us of any additional steps that must be taken by the District.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CEC', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Cheryl E. Conley
Superintendent